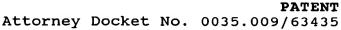
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Serial No. 08/089,407

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For: HIV IMMUNOASSAYS USING

SYNTHETIC ENVELOPE POLY-PEPTIDES (AS AMENDED)

AMENDMENT

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action of June 22, 1994 in the above-captioned case, and should be accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time. If an effective petition does not accompany this paper, the Commissioner is hereby petitioned for the minimum extension of time necessary to make this amendment timely.

Please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the following claims:

of antibodies to a human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) in a human sample comprising contacting the same with an [immunogenic polypeptide] antigen comprising an amino acid sequence from

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